

I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The newspaper/broadcast

cross-ownership cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

I learned of the opportunity to give my comments here exactly because of the albeit small amount of diverse media delivery now protected. Incorporating information delivery of, for example, governmental decisions into a few companies--into an even more elite business than it is--cannot ensure a properly democratic exchange of information.

Thank you for the opportunity to share my opinion.